

GCE Health and Social Care (Single and Double Award) Specification Addendum

Exceptional Assessment Adaptations (for 2021–2022)

This addendum should be used in conjunction with the current specification

The table below shows the units available for Summer 2022 cash in and details where applicable:

- the unit eligible for omission; or
- any adaptations that have been made to internally assessed tasks for 2021–2022; or
- any adaptations that have been made due to public health restrictions

Please note: This applies only to candidates entering in Summer 2022

Content	Assessment	Assessment Adaptations 2021–2022	Defined Unit for Omission Single Award	Defined Unit for Omission Double Award
<p>AS 1: Promoting Quality Care</p> <p>Compulsory</p> <p>Weightings:</p> <p>Single Award <i>25% of AS 10% of A level</i></p> <p>Double Award <i>12.5% of AS 5% of A level</i></p>	<p>Internal assessment</p> <p>Students produce a written report based on practice in a health, social care or early years setting that they have experienced.</p> <p>Teachers mark the tasks and we moderate the results.</p>	<p>No requirement for placement in Health, Social Care or Early Years settings.</p>	N/A	N/A

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<p>AS 2: Communication in Health, Social Care and Early Years Settings</p> <p>Compulsory</p> <p>Weightings: Single Award <i>25% of AS</i> <i>10% of A level</i></p> <p>Double Award <i>12.5% of AS</i> <i>5% of A level</i></p>	<p>Internal assessment</p> <p>Students produce a written report on communication in a health, social care or early years setting.</p> <p>Teachers mark the tasks and we moderate the results.</p>	<p>No requirement for placement in Health, Social Care and Early Years settings.</p>	<p>This unit will be eligible for omission for candidates cashing in for the AS Single Award qualification level grade in Summer 2022.</p> <p>This unit will still be available for any candidates wishing to be assessed in all units.</p>	<p>This unit will be eligible for omission for candidates cashing in for the AS Double Award qualification level grade in Summer 2022.</p> <p>This unit will still be available for any candidates wishing to be assessed in all units.</p>
<p>AS 3: Health and Well-Being</p> <p>Compulsory</p> <p>Weightings: Single Award <i>50% of AS</i> <i>20% of A level</i></p> <p>Double Award <i>25% of AS</i> <i>10% of A level</i></p>	<p>External written examination</p> <p>2 hours</p> <p>Students answer three compulsory questions.</p>	N/A	N/A	N/A

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<p>AS 4: Safeguarding Children</p> <p>Compulsory</p> <p>Weightings: Double Award <i>12.5% of AS</i> <i>5% of A level</i></p>	<p>Internal assessment</p> <p>Students produce a written report and an information resource for staff working in an early years setting.</p> <p>Teachers mark the tasks and we moderate the results.</p>	<p>N/A</p>		<p>This unit will be eligible for omission for candidates cashing in for the AS Double Award qualification level grade in Summer 2022.</p> <p>This unit will still be available for any candidates wishing to be assessed in all units.</p>
<p>AS 5: Adult Service Users</p> <p>Optional</p> <p>Weightings: <i>Double Award</i> <i>25% of AS</i> <i>10% of A level</i></p>	<p>External written examination</p> <p>2 hours Students answer three compulsory questions.</p>	<p>N/A</p>		<p>N/A</p>
<p>AS 6: Holistic Therapies</p> <p>Compulsory</p> <p>Weightings: Double Award <i>12.5% of AS</i> <i>5% of A level</i></p>	<p>Internal assessment</p> <p>Students produce a written report in the use of holistic therapies in managing a medical condition and in care settings.</p> <p>Teachers mark the tasks and we moderate the results.</p>	<p>N/A</p>		<p>N/A</p>

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<p>AS 7 Understanding the Physiology of Health and Illness Optional Weightings: Double Award <i>25% of AS</i> <i>10% of A Level</i></p>	<p>External written examination 2 hours Students answer three compulsory questions</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p style="background-color: #cccccc;"></p>	<p>N/A</p>

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<p>A2 1: Applied Research</p> <p>Optional for Single Award</p> <p>Compulsory for Double Award</p> <p>Weightings:</p> <p>Single Award <i>15% of A level</i></p> <p>Double Award <i>7.5% of A level</i></p>	<p>Internal assessment</p> <p>Students produce a research report on a health and social care or early years topic of their own choosing.</p> <p>Teachers mark the tasks and we moderate the results.</p>	N/A	<p>One unit from A2 1, A2 2, A2 4 or A2 5 will be eligible for omission for candidates cashing in for the A Level Single Award qualification grade in Summer 2022.</p> <p>The omitted unit will still be available for any candidates wishing to be assessed in all units.</p>	<p>Two units from A2 1, A2 2, A2 4 or A2 5 will be eligible for omission for candidates cashing in for the A Level Double Award qualification grade in Summer 2022.</p> <p>The omitted units will still be available for any candidates wishing to be assessed in all units.</p>
<p>A2 2: Body Systems and Physiological Disorders</p> <p>Optional for Single Award</p> <p>Compulsory for Double Award</p> <p>Weightings:</p> <p>Single Award <i>15% of A level</i></p> <p>Double Award <i>7.5% of A level</i></p>	<p>Internal assessment</p> <p>Students carry out a practical investigation of the physiological status of individuals and research the diagnosis and treatment of a disorder.</p> <p>Teachers mark the tasks and we moderate the results.</p>	N/A	<p>One unit from A2 1, A2 2, A2 4 or A2 5 will be eligible for omission for candidates cashing in for the A Level Single Award qualification grade in Summer 2022.</p> <p>The omitted unit will still be available for any candidates wishing to be assessed in all units.</p>	<p>Two units from A2 1, A2 2, A2 4 or A2 5 will be eligible for omission for candidates cashing in for the A Level Double Award qualification grade in Summer 2022.</p> <p>The omitted units will still be available for any candidates wishing to be assessed in all units.</p>

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<p>A2 3: Providing Services</p> <p>Compulsory for Single and Double Award</p> <p>Weightings:</p> <p>Single Award <i>30% of A level</i></p> <p>Double Award <i>15% of A level</i></p>	<p>External written examination based on pre-release material</p> <p>2 hours</p> <p>Students answer three compulsory questions.</p>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<p>A2 4: Public Health and Health Promotion</p> <p>Optional for Single Award</p> <p>Compulsory for Double Award</p> <p>Weightings:</p> <p>Single Award <i>15% of A level</i></p> <p>Double Award <i>7.5% of A level</i></p>	<p>Internal assessment</p> <p>Students produce a report on public health issues and how they are being addressed in Northern Ireland, undertake a health promotion activity and report their findings.</p> <p>Teachers mark the tasks and we moderate the results.</p>	N/A	<p>One unit from A2 1, A2 2, A2 4 or A2 5 will be eligible for omission for candidates cashing in for the A Level Single Award qualification grade in Summer 2022.</p> <p>The omitted unit will still be available for any candidates wishing to be assessed in all units.</p>	<p>Two units from A2 1, A2 2, A2 4 or A2 5 will be eligible for omission for candidates cashing in for the A Level Double Award qualification grade in Summer 2022.</p> <p>The omitted units will still be available for any candidates wishing to be assessed in all units.</p>

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<p>A2 5: Supporting the Family</p> <p>Optional for Single Award</p> <p>Compulsory for Double Award</p> <p>Weightings:</p> <p>Single Award <i>15% of A level</i></p> <p>Double Award <i>7.5% of A level</i></p>	<p>Internal assessment</p> <p>Students produce a review of changes to family structure, a case study and a report on services for families experiencing issues.</p> <p>Teachers mark the tasks and we moderate the results.</p>	N/A	<p>One unit from A2 1, A2 2, A2 4 or A2 5 will be eligible for omission for candidates cashing in for the A Level Single Award qualification grade in Summer 2022.</p> <p>The omitted unit will still be available for any candidates wishing to be assessed in all units.</p>	<p>Two units from A2 1, A2 2, A2 4 or A2 5 will be eligible for omission for candidates cashing in for the A Level Double Award qualification grade in Summer 2022.</p> <p>The omitted units will still be available for any candidates wishing to be assessed in all units.</p>
<p>A2 6: Understanding Human Behaviour</p> <p>Optional</p> <p>Weightings:</p> <p>Double Award <i>15% of A level</i></p>	<p>External written examination</p> <p>2 hours</p> <p>Students answer three compulsory questions.</p>	N/A		N/A
<p>A2 7: Human Nutrition and Health</p> <p>Optional</p> <p>Weightings:</p> <p>Double Award <i>15% of A level</i></p>	<p>External written examination</p> <p>2 hours</p> <p>Students answer three compulsory questions.</p>	N/A		N/A

AS Summer 2022

For those students who are due to cash in for the AS qualification in Summer 2022, should they choose to sit the full set of units for that qualification, they will receive the higher of either:

- the grade awarded on the basis of the outcome of the required units specified by CCEA; or
- the grade awarded on the basis of the outcome of the full set of units for that qualification.

In both cases the full specification content should still be delivered.

A2 Summer 2022

For those students who are due to cash in the full A Level qualification in Summer 2022 should they choose to sit the full set of units for that qualification, they will receive the higher of either:

- the grade awarded on the basis of the outcome of the required units specified by CCEA; or
- the grade awarded on the basis of the outcome of the full set of units for that qualification.

In both cases the full specification content should still be delivered.

AS (2021) contribution to GCE Qualification (2022)

For candidates who started their course in September 2020 and hope to achieve a GCE qualification level grade in Summer 2022, they will be awarded a grade based on their performance in their A2 units only.

Teaching Order

For candidates commencing their AS or A2 course in September 2021, it is recommended that, as far as possible, the units are delivered in numerical order in case of any further disruption to the academic year.